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A Proper Change.

England and the Coming Thunder Storm.

In the current number of the *Nineteenth Century* a German student of international relations, Dr. FELIX BOH, discusses the process which threatens the far-scattered

his, of course, is tantamount to saying that England can obtain no allies anywhere; it is Carthage, and not Rome, to which it offers a close parallel; and that she is destined to be stripped of a great part of her outlying possessions when the storm shall sweep upon her. For, with their system of parliamentary government and the traditional security of their insular position, the British will never submit to universal conscription. They would sooner lose their empire piecemeal, forgetting that the loss of their commerce must follow, than that the ruin of their navy would ensue, and that in the end they would be threatened even in their island home.

A Desirable Situation.

To wonder there is competition among laymen for the vacant pulpit of the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church in Washington. The income of the shepherd who rules that flock is over \$10,000 a year, and he is as high as \$20,000; he has a free house; he has a pleasant place in the fashionable set of the capital; and he enjoys the privilege of preaching to the Vice-President, cabinet officers, Senators, Congressmen, Supreme Court Justices, and other officials. A list of the membership of the

Keep Faith With the Red Men.

The report of the Commissioners who, under the instructions of Congress, have been visiting the Indian Territory, seems to contemplate modifying the pledges given by the Government to the five civilized tribes more than a generation ago.

The Commission, which consists of Mr. H.

the condition that the Indian tribes hold always agree to keep their land in common, and never to lease any portion of or cultivation to their own citizens. It may be questioned whether any such supposed trust was created at the time in the lands made of these lands.

beyond doubt the condition of the Indian territory is bad. The lawlessness there is crime, and Congress must do something check it at the coming session. Perhaps territorial government would benefit the nation, although a better system of courts and a more adequate system of marshals Indian police might stop the brigandage and other crimes even under the present form of government. Severe allotment would also probably be a good thing for the

st that the ablest men among them their rights of cultivation and pasture under regular grants from their legislatures, paying rents which provide for free

The steamship accommodations would be inadequate to hold the throngs of Russians who would be eager to return to the land that they claimed was so tolerant and cruel.²⁶

were to return to Russia, the steamship companies would have an extra amount of business on their hands for many months of the coming year. Notwithstanding the elements of the *Jewish Messenger* how-

They invest their money in a mercantile firm while they labor elsewhere for wages; and they hold that they should not be classed as laborers because their investments entitle them to a higher rank. They are substantially mistaken. The money that must be taken into account if equity is to be observed.

For one reason we are rather sorry that Li Hsiang-shan is to be deported, and that other Chinese of the kind who are so numerous in this country. We think that some American workmen might take a lesson from the shrewd Chinese who rest their spare money in a business firm while they labor otherwise to earn more money. It is true that the Chinese set an example which is not destitute of merit. The American working people who save money are equally to be put in a savings bank, where the interest is small, and are not apt to think of invest-

second verse of "Au Clair de la Lune," thereby suggesting the antithetical third verse, which contains the point of the song.

Au clair de la lune
B'en va le tiquin
Frapper chez la femme
Qui répondait autrui—
«N'importe de quel air
Il dit à son tour—
«Ne me dis pas
Pour le diable d'amour!

Will not some vieux lapin de quartier during the second stanza supply the slightly conglomericating fourth stanza?

New York, Nov. 28. Not at all, please.

Mum's Part of the Word.

From the Washington Evening Star.

"Mum's the word," said the man who gossiped.
"Mum's the word," replied Will Wablian. "If any have
seen once, but now chrysanthemum's the word."

Mumety.

From the Richmond Dispatch.

Finally, is it not more probable that valuable results will be achieved by this compact, ardent, and youthful Committee of Five than by the Committee of Seventy, so unwieldy and so far removed by moss-grown superannuation? In the interests of reform, if either is to be reared from the field, should it not rather be the surprising Seventy than the conquering Five?

down with the engaging frank announcement of "I am a sinner," and the sermon spread over night and a consequently empty pocket book. The announcement is accompanied by a knowing leer and the offer of a visiting card as guarantee that whatever is lent will be returned. Only the hardened sinner can resist such an appeal.

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